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Town of Bluffton Installs More Sidewalks on Buck Island Road

The Town of Bluffton will begin construction on the next phase of the Buck Island - Simmonsville Community sidewalk project next week. This project will install 1,200 linear feet of 5-foot wide sidewalks on Buck Island Road adjacent to the Toy Fields neighborhood across from the Wellstone development.

The Town, in cooperation with Palmetto Electric, will also install overhead lighting along the new section of sidewalk, as well as additional lighting to the north of the Toy Fields neighborhood along the existing sidewalk.

JRC Specialty, Inc. is the contractor for the project. The project begins at the existing sidewalk at #2 Toy Fields Circle and runs south to #301 Buck Island Road. Construction is scheduled to start within the next week and is anticipated to be completed in 30 days.

Bryan McIlwee, the Town's director of engineering, said "Future phases of this project will extend from the existing sidewalks along Buck Island and Simmonsville Roads south to May River Road. Once this sidewalk project and the May River Streetscape project are complete, a resident will be able to walk from Buck Island or Simmonsville Roads to the Bluffton Historic District."

"This sidewalk project is one component of a multi-year plan to enable our residents to walk from their homes to shop, go to work or visit their neighbors," Mayor Lisa Sulka said. "Town Council's vision is to continue to provide walkability for as many residents as we can."

Residents will soon see equipment staged for this project. If any residents have questions about the project, please contact Assistant Project Manager Jeff Wiggins with the Town of Bluffton Engineering Department at 843-706-4536.